

**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

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<i>Application Number</i>	09/851,040
<i>Filing Date</i>	May 8, 2001
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Stephen Zimmerman, et al.
<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1761 ✓
<i>Examiner Name</i>	D.E. Becker
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	8072M
<i>Confirmation Number</i>	2167

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted
- i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Enclosed
  - i.  Amendment/Reply
  - ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
  - iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
  - iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

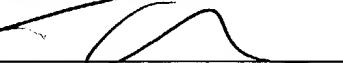
**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. **16-2480**.
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- i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
  - ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§1.136 and 1.17)      01 FC:1801      770.00 DA
  - iii.  Suspension of action fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i)
  - iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

NAME (Print/Type)	Theodore P. Cummings	Reg. No. (Attorney/Agent) 40,973
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DATE October 16, 2003		

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<b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b> <b>for FY 2004</b>		<b>Complete if Known</b>	
O I P E JCS OCT 20 2003 PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE		Application Number	09/851,040
Patent fees are subject to annual revision.		Confirmation Number	2167
		Filing Date	May 8, 2001
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		Examiner Name	D.E. Becker
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<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b> (\$770.00)		Attorney Docket No.	8072M

<b>METHOD OF PAYMENT</b>			<b>FEES CALCULATION (continued)</b>		
1. [X] The Director is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees submitted on this form, credit any over payments, and charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application to:			3. ADDITIONAL FEES		
Deposit Account Number: 16-2480 Deposit Account Name: The Procter & Gamble Company			Code	(\$)	Fee Description
			1051	130	Surcharge-late filing fee or oath
			1052	50	Surcharge-late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
			1053	130	Non-English specification
			1812	2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination
			1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner's action
			1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner's action
			1251	110	Extension for reply within 1 <sup>st</sup> month
			1252	420	Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> month
			1253	950	Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> month
			1254	1,480	Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> month
			1255	2,010	Extension for reply within 5 <sup>th</sup> month
			1401	330	Notice of Appeal
			1402	330	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
			1403	290	Request for oral hearing
			1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
			1452	110	Petition to revive - unavoidable
			1453	1,330	Petition to revive - unintentional
			1501	1,330	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
			1502	480	Design issue fee
			1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner
			1807	50	Processing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(q)
			1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement
			1809	770	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
			1810	770	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))
			1801	770	Request for Continued Examination (RCE) [X]
			1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application
			1454	1330	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119, 120, 121, or 365 (a) or (c)
FEE CALCULATION			Other fee (specify) _____		
1. BASIC FILING FEE - Large Entity			Other fee (specify) _____		
Code	(\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid		
1001	770	Utility filing fee	□		
1002	340	Design filing fee	□		
1004	770	Reissue filing fee	□		
1005	160	Provisional filing fee	□		
SUBTOTAL (1)			(\$)]		
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE - Large Entity					
		Extra Claims	Fee from Below	Fee Paid	
Total Claims	□ - 20** =	□ x	□	= □	
Independent Claims	□ - 3** =	□ x	□	= □	
Multiple Dependent			□	= □	
** or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below					
Code	(\$)	Fee Description			
1202	18	Claims in excess of 20			
1201	86	Independent claims in excess of 3			
1203	290	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid			
1204	86	**Reissue independent claims over original patent			
1205	18	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 & over original patent			
SUBTOTAL (2)			(\$)]		
			* Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid	SUBTOTAL(3) (\$) [770]	

SUBMITTED BY		Complete (if applicable)		
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